

Summer Cabin Burns

A summer cabin owned by Gary Elekonich, of Ohio was destroyed by fire Friday, Feb. 24. The fire was reported by a neighbor around 11:32 p.m. The cause of the blaze is still under investigation. The cabin was located near Pine Rd. off of Wakeley Bridge Rd. in Grayling Twp.

A Grayling woman was ticked after an accident at the intersection of M-93 and M-72 West.

The woman allegedly turned her car into another auto driven by a Houghton Lake man. The man was taken to Mercy Hospital by the Crawford County Ambulance Corps, treated, and released. The accident around 4:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23.

Artrain Opens Here March 31

The Michigan Artrain visit to Grayling has been set for the 5 day period beginning Saturday, March 31 through Wednesday, April 5, 1984. Train hours and the names of visiting artists will be announced in the near future.

The Grayling Artrain Committee will be holding their next meeting on Monday, March 5, 7:00 p.m. at the Northern National Bank. If you are interested in participating in this event please attend the meeting.

Indoor Archery Shoot March 4th

A Straits Field Archery Association Indoor Archery Shoot will be held on March 4, 1984 at the Grayling Archery Club. The Straits Field Archery Association (SFAA), is the Regional Affiliate of the Michigan Archers Association. Archery Clubs within the SFAA area are Alpena, Grayling, Houghton Lake, Cedarville, Kalkaska, Kirtland, and Traverse City.

Participation in the shoots will give enthusiasts a chance to meet a lot of nice new people who enjoy the sport of archery. There are numerous shooting classifications which are categorized by age, sex and shooting style. These range from youth, bowhunter to pro.

The Grayling Archery Club is located behind the Old Fred Bear Museum at Hanson Hills. Sign in time will be at 8:30 a.m. and shooting will begin at 9:00 a.m.

For further information on the SFAA contact: Cynde Thompson, Sec'y.-Treas., P.O. Box 398, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. 517-368-8471.

Stockton, Hartwig Finish High In International Ski Competition

Butch Stockton placed 103rd and Scott Hartwig placed 105th among 8,000 racers at the largest cross-country ski race in the nation held in Wisconsin Saturday. The 50-kilometer race draws international competition and the first 100 finishers are considered world class.

Also competing in the 30-mile race was GHS graduate Roger Kolb, who placed 1700 improving on his last year's time by more than 58 minutes.

Search Underway For a Local "Annie"

On May 10, 11 and 12, some local little girl will have the opportunity to recreate the role made famous on Broadway by Andrea McArdle when the Grayling High School Players present their production of the Broadway Musical "Annie". Auditions for the role will be held at the high school auditorium on Saturday, March 10. Auditions are open to all girls in the community, including students from the middle and elementary schools. In addition to the role of Annie, the six orphan girls will also be played by younger children.

Any girl interested in auditioning for the role of Annie or any of the orphans should pick up an application to audition from any of the school offices. Included with the application will be the music required for the audition. Girls whose last name begins with the letters A through H should audition at 10:00 a.m. Those with names beginning with I through P will audition at 1:00 p.m. and last names beginning with Q through Z will audition at 3:00 p.m. Callbacks will be at 5:00 p.m. with the final selection taking place some time Saturday evening.

In addition to the young girls needed for this production, adult members of the community who are interested in theatre and would like to offer their time and talents will have an opportunity to do so. "Annie" is a very large production and will require the efforts of many. If you would like to assist in any way, please contact the Community School Office. Especially needed are musicians for the orchestra and adults who would be willing to work in back stage capacities such as stage manager costumes and props. Do to the number of small children in this show, it will also be necessary to have stage-mothers on hand for all rehearsals and performances.

Knights of Columbus Aim For April 1 Hall Opening

The Grayling Knights of Columbus are working on an April 1st opening date for their new hall located in the former Milltown Party Store. The Knights are remodeling the building and the finished hall will be able to hold 340 persons. The new hall will be available for wedding receptions, parties, and other events. Reservations are already being taken at 348-2929, the new hall number, or at 348-8830.

Range Firing Conducted

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period 29 Feb 84 thru 7 March 84.

Firing will be in the following areas on the dates and times as indicated.

The Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin at 29 Feb 84 and cease at 7 March 84.

The Range 40 Complex located north of County Rd 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd 618 and west of County Rd F97 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin at 9:00 AM (Daily) and cease at 5:00 PM (Daily).

The ranges will be closed to the public during these periods and all persons are warned to keep out of the areas identified.

Our Weather (Courtesy of Chuck Flick)

Feb	Hi	Lo	Precip
21	32	24	6.5
22	52	24	5.0
23	56	30	4.0
24	34	20	4.0
25	23	16	4.0
26	26	13	2.0
27	32	12	1.0



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GHS Skiers Win 5 Medals At Regional, State Meet

Karyn Reynolds was crowned state giant slalom champion and Kris Laudenslager helped lead Grayling to a fifth place finish among all classes of schools at the state meet Monday at Nubs Nob.

Reynolds, ranked in the top ten in the nation among 17-year-olds, won her second state crown in two years. Last year Reynolds won the slalom championship.

Laudenslager put together two tenth finishes to lead Grayling to a fifth place behind Petoskey, Cadillac, Iron Mountain, and Clare.

With Reynolds winning the giant slalom, Laudenslager taking tenth, Heidi Derenzy taking 13th, and Carrie Longworth taking 35th, Grayling was only four points behind second place Cadillac before hard times hit in the slalom run.

Reynolds, favored to win both events, fell twice and wound up 42nd in slalom. Derenzy, usually the second or third best racer for GHS, fell and wound up 46th. Carrie Longworth and Heidi Bendig also fell and were disqualified. Carol Longworth finished 38th.

Coach Mike Wieland said his team was going for it all on the hard, unpredictable course.

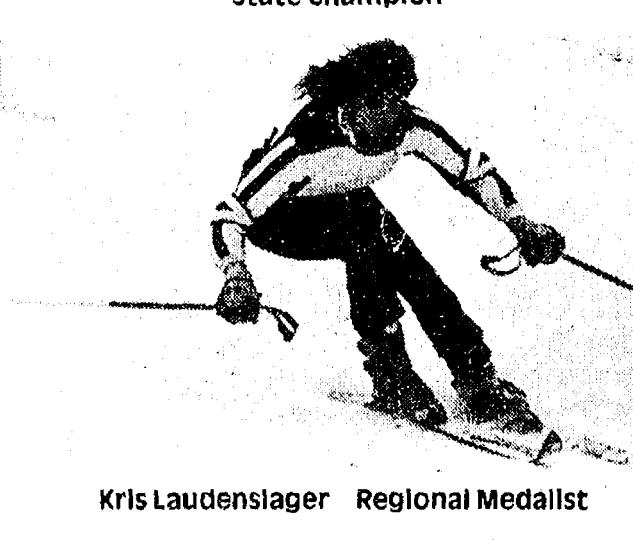
"I think the recent Olympics showed clearly how the people who win are always skiing on the edge of crashing."

Grayling's girl ski team

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Karyn Reynolds
State Champion



Kris Laudenslager
Regional Medalist



Heidi Derenzy
Regional Medalist

Mercy Hospital Braces For Possible Lean Times

Mercy Hospital, initiated an "Employee Forum" last week to encourage employees to ask questions and air their views concerning the future of the hospital.

Sister Mary Ellen Howard, concerned that accurate information be supplied to the hospital and the community, told employees "There are no secrets at Mercy Hospital." She continued by saying Mercy Hospital, like all hospitals in the United States, is on the threshold of a difficult era. The advent of

Medicare's prospective payment system, which goes into effect July 1 for Mercy Hospital, will decrease the number of Medicare patients admitted and the duration of their stay, she said.

"We must become better managers, increase cooperation between the medical staff and the hospital, and improve communication" she said. The "Employee Forum" is one way of improving communication at Mercy Hospital, she added.

Two Resign South Branch Board

At the South Branch Township Board meeting held Feb. 14, 1984, Trustee Richard Daniels and Treas. Muriel Michael submitted their resignations.

Mr. Daniels who has served as Trustee for seven years moved out of the Township.

Mrs. Michael who has been Treasurer for the last ten years cited poor health and long working hours as

reason for leaving her post.

The Township Board

thanked them for their time

and service to the Township

and regretfully accepted both resignations.

The Board asked Mrs. Michael to accept Mr. Daniels position as Trustee and appointed Dee Weiler, Asst. Treasurer, to

Treasurer. Both appoint-

ments extend to the Novem-

ber election.

During the four forums held last week, the administration told employees there were no lay-offs planned at this time. However, due to a sharp drop in patients two weeks ago, some concern was generated with staffing levels. Mercy Hospital implemented a program of voluntary hour reductions for employees in departments where work loads are down.

Mercy Hospital is one of the few hospitals in the area not experiencing lay-offs, according to Sister Mary Ellen. "We are looking at a cap on new hires and not replacing retirees and individuals who quit," she added, "rather than instituting lay-offs at this time."

The drop in patient days was expected in July when

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Albosta Hints At Full-Time Camp Grayling

Congressman Don Albosta, speaking at a "Eggs and Issues" gathering Monday morning at Chief Shoppe-nagons Hotel, said plans for a full-time Camp Grayling are in the works and he is working to obtain appropriations to expand and improve the camp's facilities.

Albosta, who is currently working to obtain funding for a railroad spur to the camp, said he hopes to be back in Grayling to announce future projects to improve the camp's facilities.

Albosta also discussed foreign policy stating he believes we must solve the social ills of a country to win their friendship. Albosta said the current policy of supporting corrupt governments which do not have the support of most of the people is helping the U.S. lose countries to communism.

He said although he sup-

ported the Grenada in-

vasions, taking a third two

years ago and a fifth last

year. Last year, Grayling's

John Solomonson took the

state title.

County '83 Deficit Tabbed at \$78,000

A 1983 general fund report says Crawford County finished the year with a deficit of about \$78,000.

County commissioners received the report at their Feb. 23 regular meeting and said the growing caseloads in the courts accounted for much of the overspending.

The Circuit Court department was \$19,553 over their budgeted amount, District Court \$15,099 over, Probate Court \$7,137 over, and the Prosecuting Attorney office \$6,813 over.

Individual line items over budget in circuit court were

attorney fees for indigents, over \$20,721; jury fees, over \$2,806, and witness fees, over \$2,839.

Individual line items over budget in district court were court reporter salary, over \$9,684; attorney fees for indigents, over \$5,573, and transcripts, over \$2,271.

Attorney fees for indigents were \$4,841 over the budget in probate court.

Other departments related to the court systems that were over budget were the sheriff department, jail, child care program, and state hospital costs.

The sheriff dept. was \$50,894 over budget. Individual line items over budget were deputy command officers and regular deputies salaries, over \$14,386; overtime pay, over \$6,581; vehicle maintenance, over \$10,245; purchase of radios, over \$10,423, and purchase of LEIN system, over \$3,525.

The jail was \$36,921 over budget. Individual line items over budget were board of female prisoners to other jails, over \$19,808; salaries, over \$16,806, and

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Insulation Bids Tabled, Another Study Ordered

By Jon Thompson

County commissioners tabled a recommendation from the building authority to accept a bid from Peterson Construction to insulate the courthouse ceiling until further study of insulating needs for the courthouse.

The building authority of Fred Schaitly, Norm Bancroft, and Joe Wakely voted 3-0 to recommend accepting a bid of \$12,500 from Peterson, a local company. The authority received four sealed bids, Peterson's, a bid for \$11,975 from Furstenau Insulation, of Roscommon, a bid for \$16,741 from AuSable Construction, of Grayling, and a bid of \$13,100 from Dandy Construction, of Grayling.

Schaitly said the authority noted the low bidder Furstenau did not appear to be a resident of the county nor did it appear Furstenau often bought materials in the county.

John Miller made the motion at a regular meeting Feb. 23 to table the matter until further study of the courthouse. Don Weiser said the building is losing more heat through the sidewalls than the ceiling. He also said if the county wants to drop ceilings in the courthouse they should do it before they insulate to avoid handling the insulation twice.

Property Owners Win Some, Lose Some at Tax Tribunal

Local property owners battled .250 percent in 1983 tax tribunal decisions recently released.

Four out of 16 property owners — who took what they claimed were unfair tax assessments all the way to the state tax tribunal in 1983 —

won adjustments.

The tax hearing officer ruled seven of the sixteen did receive fair assessments and no changes were made. The other five had their cases dismissed because they failed to show proof they first took their appeal to the

local board of review or they did not correct errors in the petition they must file to take their case to the tax tribunal.

Larry Hunter, Crawford County Equalization Director, said the number of per-

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4 GHS Wrestlers Earn Trip to State Finals

Ron Wyman, Tim Moore,

Tom Sorenson, and Bartsie

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to the state finals at Middle-

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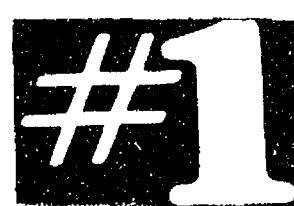
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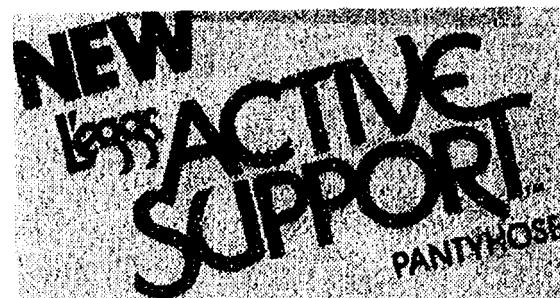
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From Our Corner...

Nice things we like to pass on about our former residents...

We received the following from Janet White of Jacksonville, Florida about her sister...Elizabeth "Libby" Matson, who grew up in Grayling and went on to bigger things...we quote from the Stockton, California Record, dated Sunday, December 18, 1983...

Elizabeth "Libby" Matson spent most of her life nurturing women athletes and in retirement has not forgotten their struggle. Matson, who retired from the University of the Pacific in 1981, has established an annual award of \$1,000.00 to go to the graduating senior woman athlete with the highest academic grade point average.

"Few understand the rigors of training and the difficulty of maintaining excellent grades," says Matson, who began guiding young women athletes as a high school teacher in her native Michigan almost half a century ago. "The faculty and the community should recognize the academic achievement of all athletes," adds the professor.

Praising Matson for setting up the new award, UOP president Stanley E. McCaffrey says, "This recognition of the outstanding senior athlete-scholar is more appropriate and significant." Matson spent 36 years in Pacific's physical education and recreation department before opting for a more leisurely life two years ago. The university capped her career by bestowing on her the highest honor, the Order of the Pacific. Before coming West, the educator had taught at Kalamazoo College in Michigan and at the State College for Women in Columbus, Miss." unquote. May we add, quite an accomplishment for a young lady who grew up in Grayling during the 1920's...

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Once again the Grayling Rotarians take to the stage this Thursday and Friday evenings, March 1st and 2nd for their annual Minstrel Show...and if past performances are any indication of a hilarious evening at the theatre we recommend you plan on attending one of the performances...while enjoying a night out you also help the Rotary Club in their Good Works Project...Tickets are available at the Grayling Branch of the Gaylord State Bank, Northern National Bank, Grayling State Bank and members...

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We had a pleasant surprise Sunday afternoon when Toni along with T.J. and Stefany came over from Traverse City and spent until Monday afternoon with us...the girls were out of school Monday...this is the first we have seen them since New Year's Eve weekend when we had a belated Christmas with them at T.C. due to the Christmas snowstorm...

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Our friend Irvin, the retired railroad man of Grayling was in the office one day last week and spent about an hour and when he left all we could think of is that he was practicing up for his role as one of the end men in the upcoming Rotary Minstrel show...he laid quite a few jokes and sayings on us...it is refreshing to have him drop in, at least while he's here one forgets about the problems you face, you don't have time to think of them...some of the jokes were quite blue and he said they would be omitted from the show...it's a good thing...he probably would be tarred and feathered and run out of town on the rails he used to work on...

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An idle thought...I don't know what Plato's school would say about K mart either, but it was Descartes who coined the saying "I think, therefore I am." according to a literary friend of ours...

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This takes care of this week's efforts...it's a good thing we reserve our own spot in your favorite newspaper or the Letters to the Editor would take up this space also, but, then for many they would probably prefer it...like we mentioned last week we welcome the letters, it's the length we feel is unnecessary...tis all...good night T.J., Stefany and Amber, and to all of our readers have a nice weekend...

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Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

23 Years Ago

March 2, 1961

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Knutilla and children of Escanaba visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders, the weekend of February 18th.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Millikin and family were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wood and two children of Quincy.

Miss Sally Minnear was the overnight guest of the Sam Sherwoods, staying Sunday, too, then returned to Bay City, where she is employed by Dow-Corning.

The Underground Forest had their winning streak broken Saturday evening at the Frederic High School gym by the McBain Tigers, who won by the score of 75-72.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Niederer are pleased to announce the arrival of Danny William, a 7 lb. 2 1/2 oz. son born to them on February 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Souders have been feeding 25 evening grosbeaks all through January and February, and 35 purple finches ever since the latter part of January.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon and Master Mickey spent the weekend at Sault Ste. Marie in the U.P., visiting the Verner Jacobsons. On Sunday they skied at Mission Hill.

In the singles events bowled Sunday Louise Hatfield had a 610, Madonna LaMotte 564, Ilene Hatfield 541, Gloria Neilson 538. All events goes to Louise Hatfield with actual pinfall, three games, 1531.

46 Years Ago

March 3, 1938

Stationed at the edge of Grayling Winter Sports Park skating rink, a huge snowman was one of the big attractions during the winter carnival. Built entirely of snow, reinforced by large water pipes, it measures 30 feet in height. Its head was adorned with a crown that measured 142 inches in circumference, and it holds a five-foot cigar in its mouth. The eyes and six buttons of its coat were red lights and during the evening hours they were illuminated.

It was standing on skis made of frozen snow, and in each hand was a huge ski pole. Anyone seeing the snowman would note that besides its beauty and attractiveness, the proportions of its body were astonishingly accurate. The idea of the snowman was suggested by Clarence Johnson, manager of the winter park. Of course, for the construction, they turned that part of the job over to the ever resourceful and ingenious John Deckrow.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Pratt (Alice LaBrash) Tuesday.

A son, Donald Dean, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter LaMotte, on February 21st. This is the fifth son born in this family.

A son, Gladwin D., was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Bindschat of Frederic, at Mercy Hospital on February 24th.

Close to a hundred relatives and friends attended the silver wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. John Hodge at their home in Highland Park on February 27th.

Among the guests were about 30 people who were former Grayling residents, and the bride

The Bible Speaks

From Calvary Baptist Church

ASSAULT ON RELIGION

Congressman George Hansen has just published a book entitled, "To Harass Our People." In the special section, "Assault On Religion" we quote from his forward: "For the first time in our history, governments of the United States - national, state and local - are taxing churches; imposing fines on churches; and even padlocking churches. Ministers and church officials are being fined and thrown in jail."

Government is jailing fathers and hunting down mothers to put them in jail and make their children wards of the state.

Freedom of religion is at stake as arbitrary social demands and government 'policy' invade the First Amendment sanctity of the pulpit.

Civil and Constitutional rights are a federal issue, and it is vital that steps be initiated by the federal government to end this terror which government at all levels is bringing on religion."

Hansen gives over 200 pages of evidence proving government assault upon religion. The city of New York will no longer collaborate with the Salvation Army in distributing charity to the poor and needy until the Salvation Army publicly and officially changes its moral doctrine against homosexuality. Hansen also wondered if the city would "require the Salvation Army to abandon its time honored work at reforming tipplers as damaging and degrading to

Mrs. Henry Bauman was hostess at a very pretty bridge party at her home Saturday afternoon. There were about twenty ladies present and expressed themselves as having had a most delightful time.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Canfield entertained a few guests at a dinner and theatre party Thursday evening in honor of the latter's father, J.M. Miller of Gladwin.

Information Classes at Mercy Hospital

The Health Information Resource Center at Mercy Hospital in Grayling will be offering the following free information classes to the public in March.

The purpose of the classes is to promote good health care throughout the community. Individuals who participate will be able to ask questions and receive valuable guidance.

DIABETES INSTRUCTION: Nine offerings in March, 1-6, 8-13, 15-20, 22-27, 29. Classes will be held at the hospital in the Patient Lounge, beginning at 1 p.m.

PREGNANT PARENT CLASSES: March 7 is the last class in this series. Class begins at 7 p.m. in the hospital dining room. A new series will begin in June.

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING & MONITORING: March 12 and 26 in the lobby of the hospital between 3:30 and 7:30 p.m. This is an important offering for people between the ages of 25 and 55 to attend. All age groups are welcomed and encouraged to attend.

DRESSING YOUR CHILD FROM THE INSIDE OUT: This class is scheduled for March 27 at 7 p.m. in the hospital dining room. Topics of infant and child nutrition will be discussed along with some demonstrations of recommended exercises for children designed to help develop coordination and sound body.

These are all important offerings to attend. These classes are designed to help you avoid costly medical bills and to sustain a healthier, happier life. Please mark these dates on your calendar.

For more information contact the Health Information Resource Center at Mercy Hospital, 348-5481. Ask for extension 172.

the 'lifestyle' of a drunk."

It is clear that government is aiding in the establishing of Humanism as a state religion. Hansen lists 5 points of a new religious creed emerging from state statutes, ordinances and litigation.

1. "All sexual activity is good. Homosexuality, lesbianism, man-boy relations, and even incest are now viewed sympathetically."

2. Limitations on the public consumption of sexual products is a violation of freedom of the press. There is no such thing as pornography.

3. Disposition of the by-products of sex is authorized by the state. Abortion is now a normal, expected activity, without regard to the age or circumstances of the persons seeking such a procedure.

4. The state is the principal parent of the child. His natural parents keep him only at the sufferance of the state.

5. The mental health of the child is impaired by over-exposure to religious faith."

Unless you want this country to turn into Sodom, you owe it to your children and grandchildren to read, "To Harass Our People" by Congressman George Hansen. Write, A Positive Publications Book, Box 23560, Washington, D.C. 20024. (adv.)

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Military Mailbag

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St. Patrick's Day Card Party

We hope you have contacted friends and will make up one or several tables for an afternoon of card playing.

For a donation of \$3.00, a luncheon of sandwiches and desserts will be available at noon on Thursday, March 15th, in the Viking Room at the Shoppington Hotel. Table and door prizes will be awarded.

As an annual party the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary is happy to plan this event as a prelude to spring. So plan now to attend with your friends and greet many others you know who will be in attendance.

Bottle and Can Drive

The 4-H Literary & Movie-making Club will be holding a bottle and can drive on Saturday, March 3. The club members will be going door to door around Grayling to collect the bottles and cans.

Profits gained will be going toward finishing current film projects and preparing them for presentation to the public this spring.

Anyone living outside the city limits wishing to donate their bottles and cans, may bring them to 808 Park St. in Grayling, a block behind Bear's Country Inn.

Patrick Ross in U.S. Navy

Patrick W. Ross, a 1982 Grayling High graduate entered the U.S. Navy's delayed enlistment program on December 12, 1983 and graduated February 17th, 1984.

Wife Brenda, and six month old son Nathan flew Eastern on February 21st to San Diego, Calif. to be with Pat for his three months of communications electronics schooling.

They will then either remain in California or take a transfer.

Good luck with your new life Pat and Brenda.

World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 2, 1984 is World Day of Prayer. This annual celebration, sponsored in the United States by Church Women United, unites women of all faith in some 5,000 communities in the United States and 170 countries around the globe in a common day of prayer. 1984 marks the 97th consecutive observance of an event which began in 1887 as a day of prayer for mission by the lay women of the Presbyterian Church. Today it has grown to include countless thousands of Christian women of various races, cultures and traditions on six continents of the world.

World Day of Prayer services will be held at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on March 2nd, 1984, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Her Laupmanis will be in charge of the service, with women from several churches in our area participating. A fellowship tea and social hour will follow the service for a time of fellowship and getting acquainted.

Survivors include his wife Judith, one son, James, two daughters, Tammy Lynn and Bridget Renee and one granddaughter, Heather Louise. Also two brothers and one sister.

Funeral services were held Saturday, February 25, 1984 at 1:30 p.m. at the Steuernol Funeral Home, Roscommon, with the Rev. Dan Case officiating.

Lovells News

by Eva Hulbert

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wikoff were happy to receive news of their son Steve Jaynes, recent promotion to Staff Sergeant at Davis MONTAN, Air Force Base in Tucson, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burden enjoyed having their daughter, Beverly and family and their son Jeff from Detroit with them over the weekend.

Mrs. Donna Muriel and son Mark returned home Saturday after spending the week in Detroit visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Harwood and daughter Erin of Midland spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Margie Harwood.

Margaret Douglas and Hugh Bitters spent Sunday with Tom Douglas and family in Traverse City.

The Cheerful Givers Club will meet Thursday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Joyce Mullin. Bring your scissors.

Dan Kimball and Tim Caid enjoyed a canoe trip down the North Branch on Sunday, starting the trip on Dam 2 and ending at the bridge on 612.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller hosted the card party Saturday evening, prizes were won by Alice Campau, Sophia Koerke, Virginia Parker, John Campau, John Kearney, and Bill Braun. Margie Harwood and Ruth Caid will host the party this week.

New books in the Library donated by Phyllis and Abbott Walker in memory of Art Meyer are: "Horne Repair Step by Step" by Better Homes & Gardens, "Basic Plumbing Techniques" by Ortho Books. Also from Crawford County Library "Ice Fire" by Robert Wilson and "Story of Henri Tod" by William F. Buckley.

The Hook and Trigger Club's regular monthly meeting is March 6th. Guest speaker will be Jim Wadsworth from Weyerhaeuser Co.

Frederic News

By Eva Hulbert
Senior Citizens at the Center in Grayling, Wednesday the 29th at 12:30 for those who like to play bingo. And at 5 p.m. the Leap year dinner and dancing game.

Thurs., March 1, 12:30 Blood Pressure, 5:30 Program "Diagnostic Related Groups & Medicare" with Sister Mary Ellen, and at 7 p.m. the Minstrel Show.

March 2, Friday, Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite dinner at 1 p.m. Blood Pressure at 12:30. On the menu is Baked Chicken, Entertainment and game. At the Hobby Club across from the Town Hall.

Miss Cindy Nixon, Missionary to Chile will be guest speaker for Sunday morning 11 a.m. First Baptist Church, March 4th.

Brian and Judy Hulbert and children Eric, Travis and Kristy went to Holland to visit their friends and ex-neighbors. Also to her sister's Janice and Wayne in Hamilton. Then on to Grand Rapids and attended a Bible conference for a couple of days.

Jim and Brenda Hulbert and three daughters, Pamela, Jamie and Stephanie, and Mark and Barb Catchim and son Jacob, and their guest Tracy Runyan, Amy Dyhouse.

Brenda Creighton, Denise Snyder, Tom and Craig Alcott, Rob Graff, Ted Howard and Trever Bannow, of Lakewood Baptist Church in Lake Odessa. Up for skiing at Sylvan Knob in Gaylord and cross country ski Forbush corner here in Frederic.

Fun time at Jim's mother for games and then to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Desnoyers to play bumper pool. They all stayed at the First Baptist Church, grandma Hulbert enjoyed herself with the grandchildren while they were out skiing.

Heard the bake sale for the James Felver family was a success. Thanks to all who helped.

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5 Crawford Co. Avalanche Thurs., March 1, 1984

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Evelyn and Nick Shuraleff celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary February 14, (Valentine's Day). They have two sons, Dr. Nicholas of Edina, Minnesota, Gregory of Southfield; one daughter, Christine of Fall Creek, Oregon, and four grandchildren.

Parent Support Group Forming

A Parent Support Group is forming in our community. This group will be for persons who want to learn how to prevent damaging relationships between themselves and their children.

If you have been a product of child abuse or neglect or if you feel you need help in preventing child abuse or neglect in your home, you will find support in this group. No last names are used and all information shared is confidential.

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Michigan Mirror

Education Reports Neglect some Aspects of Improvements

Warren M. Hoyt, Executive Director, MPA

Recent reports outlining the nation's decline in educational quality fail to take into account factors involved in improving education such as cost, child development, school for handicapped children, and the concept of education as a "nourishing and nurturing" experience, the Ford Foundation's chief program officer recently told a state House conference on education.

The reports, which began in the spring of 1983 with the "Nation at Risk" report and still being released by a variety of groups, tend to look at education as a system of delivering products, Edward J. Meade, Jr. told 600 participants at the conference.

"Education is not an investment to beat the Russians, beat the Japanese or get ahead of the guy down the street. Should we not acquire and honor the value of a society of learning? If that were our objective, would that not satisfy the rest, the material and the competitive aspects that these reports seek?" he asked.

The reports thus far released have generally called for students to concentrate on fewer subjects and to spend more time in school.

The reports have identified teachers as central to improving education. They also have helped assure that improving education is high on national political agendas, he said.

In Michigan, partly as reaction to increasing national concerns, a number of proposals have been developed by legislators, the State Board of Education and others, that call for lengthened instructional time, stiffer requirements for teachers and continual upgrading of teacher skills.

But the reports fail to consider the cost of the proposals they make, Meade said. Also, they fail to take into account knowledge of child and adolescent development. The reports look more at what adults want of school children, rather than study the interests and needs of the school children themselves, he said.

Meade also warned that "before we jump on the bandwagon of more" educational time, schools ought to look at the time students spend in classes now and see if it can be better used.

He also called for schools to make better use of community volunteers for support programs, and to use better students to help tutor their classmates.

And while the current reports stress the need to improve education, equality of education and equal access to education is just as important, he said. "If we don't have free and equal schools, we ought not to have excellence. Equity has got to factor in and be a part of any measures to improve schools," Meade said.

Responding to Meade, Don Cameron, executive director of the National Education Association, said the nation habitually lashed out at education and calls for improvements every 20 or so years.

Cameron said improving education will require increased salaries for teachers, otherwise "it's getting to the point where you have to have a Mother Theresa complex to get into education."

Elaine Stienkemeyer, president of the National Parent Teacher Association, said parents are willing to spend more for superior teachers and she called for greater involvement of parents and community leaders in the education process.

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BLUE & GOLD BANQUET — Among the persons receiving awards at the annual Blue and Gold Banquet held by Cub Scout Pack 3993 were (front, left to right) Derrick Abeare, David Cable, Joel Mack, Jimmy Green, Steve Cowie, Sam Mack, Jason Medler, Wade Trowbridge, Paul Kamph, Jr., Nathan Ginther, and James Mattson. Back, Paul Kamph, Marie Kamph, Mark Horst, Larry Abeare - Cubmaster, Louise Mattson, and Tom Trowbridge.



CUB SCOUT APPRECIATION — Reverend Jeffrey Regan received a certificate of appreciation from Mike Hettinger and Cub Scout Pack 3993 during the annual Blue and Gold Banquet for his work in sponsoring the troop.

Cub Scout 3993 News

Cub Scout Pack 3993 held their annual Blue and Gold Banquet at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church on February 15, 1984. Mike Hettinger and Larry Abeare conducted the awards ceremony. The Webelos, under the leadership of Tom Trowbridge, received the greatest number of awards.

Certificates of Appreciation were also awarded to those people who have contributed time and effort to keep Cub Scouting alive in Grayling. Rev. Jeff Regan received one for sponsoring the Scouts; Louise Mattson - Den Leader; Marie and Paul Kamph - Den Leader and Assistant Den Leader; Tom Trowbridge - Webelo Leader; Larry Abeare - Cubmaster; Mark Horst - Past Cubmaster; Mike Hettinger - Committee Chairman; Pat Elekovich - Assistant Den Leader; Sharon Neely, John and Susan Medler - Committee Members.

Cub Scout fathers are practicing for the Annual Fathers vs. Sheriff's Dept. Basketball game to be played in April.

Grayling Co-Op Nursery

Enrollment for the 84-85 year is now on. If you have a child that you would be interested in enrolling or need more information, contact Kathy Madsen at 348-5620. At this time, there are openings for a Tues.-Thurs. morning 3 year old class, a Mon.-Wed.-Friday morning 4 year old class and a Mon.-Wed.-Friday afternoon 4 year old class. Our preschool is a child-sized world, devoted to a child's main business, playing, which is laying the groundwork for more specific and formal academic learning which will follow in years to come. We feel it is a good preparation for kindergarten which gives the child acquaintance with a school atmosphere and a chance to interact socially with other children of their own age.

Our classes visited the AuSable Woodworking plant in Frederic which they all found very interesting.

February 25th was Special Persons Days at the nursery where each child would bring a Special Person in their life to visit the school, meet our teacher Pat Baker, and enjoy refreshments. It was a fun day for all. The children's next experience will be a visit to our Grayling Fire Station in March.

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Two (2) 1984 1/2 Ton Pickups
One (1) 1984 Automobile

Detailed specifications and bid forms are available at the above office. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, waive irregularities in any bid, and to make an award as may appear to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Gloria Kraus, Chairperson
Norman F. Parker, Member
Grover Cason, Member

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Campeau-Townley Vows Spoken

Sheree Campeau and Richard Townley were united in marriage, December 17, 1983, at the Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling with Pastor Barnett officiating in a beautiful ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Campeau of Frederic. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Townley of Grayling.

The bride was attended by her maid of honor, Renee Campeau and two bridesmaids, Denise and Rochelle Campeau, all sisters of the bride. The groom was attended by his best man, Rick Rohde, and two groomsmen, Kevin Barnett and David McDonald.

The bride wore a beautiful white satin gown embodied

with lace, pearls and sequins. Her dress was handmade by Mary White, a close friend of the family. It was a floor length gown with a chapel train and a fingertip veil. The bride carried a bouquet of white silk roses.

Her attendants wore burgundy gowns of quiana and lace and carried color coordinated bouquets.

The groom wore his Air Force tuxedo with a short waist-cut jacket and two white silk rosebuds on his lapel. His attendants wore three-piece dark blue suits and white stephanotis.

The songs, "The Rose", "Endless Love", and "Truly", were sung by Carla Scheaffer, who was accompanied by Suzanne Clouse. The processional and recessional were played by Mrs. Dave Englund.

The wedding was attended by friends and family of the bride and groom. Guests attended were from New Jersey, Northville, Florida, Bad Axe and Grand Rapids, Grayling and Frederic.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Townley will reside in Chandler, AZ where he is currently assigned to Williams AFB.

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Doodles From The Tall Timber

Wendell L. Hoover
Park Interpreter

Despite the deep snow and low temperatures, it won't be that long before those who frequent the forest and marshes of this area will have to keep a wary eye for poison ivy and poison sumac. Both are found throughout Michigan and while the plants are handsome, they contain a mean-tempered substance called Urushiol. Urushiol is an allergen to many people, while others claim to be immune. I would warn you that immunity can be lost over a period of time due to a change in body chemistry or through repeated contact. Urushiol is a very persistent poison which covers the leaves, stems, berries, and roots of the ivy and sumac plants. It will adhere to anything that comes its way. A dog, door handles on the car, guns, horses, wild game, fishing tackle, and smoke from burning brush can all carry the stuff to you at any time of the year. Since Urushiol does not evaporate, just being near plants or downwind from them will not cause problems. You must touch the plants or touch something or someone that has touched the plants. You will feel nothing at the time of contact and the blisters and itching may take from a few hours to five days to appear. Some people claim that once contact is made, all you can do is suffer. Others claim that very thorough washing with strong soap or detergents will remove the poison. As a general rule, the effects of Urushiol, which is very persistent, can be reduced or eliminated by careful and thorough washing. Poison ivy is the most common in this area, so keep this old saying in mind: "Leaflets three, let it be."

Girl Scout Cookie Kick Off



Cheers, pep talks, skits, and lots of fun was had at the Crawford County Girl Scout Cookie Kick Off at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. About 116 Scouts and their adult volunteer leaders met after school for an afternoon of fun before going out to take orders for their seven varieties of cookies baked by the Burry-Lu, Inc. Songs were sung about cookies, cheers were done by the Cadettes about cookies, and of course there was cookies to be enjoyed by all. Thanks to McDonald's for the orange drink to go with the cookies. In the top photo are Brownies (back row) Nicole Moran, Kelly Louchart, Hollie McNary and (front) Tracy Lichlyter, Sarah See, and Becky Bouse. In the bottom photo are Cadettes (back) Marie Stephan, Pam Johnson, Louise Ward, and (front) Dixie McNary, Margo Rembowski, and Amy LaGrow.

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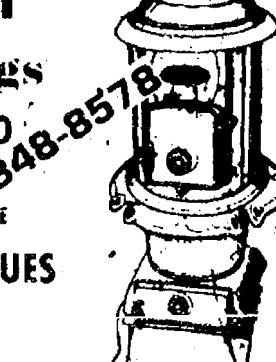
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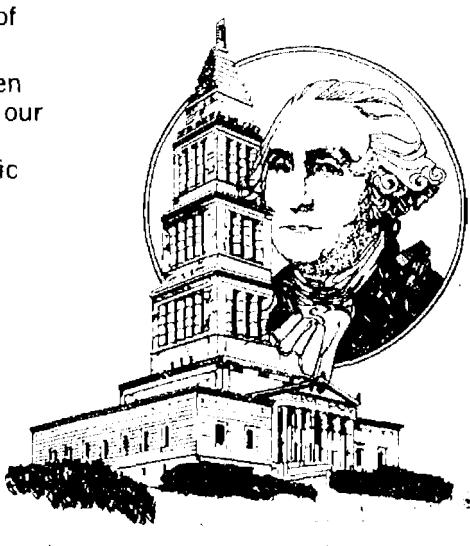
Will Rogers, Simon Bolivar, Robert Burns, several Kings of England, Rudyard Kipling, Voltaire and nine astronauts are a few of the well-known men with a common bond to Freemasonry.

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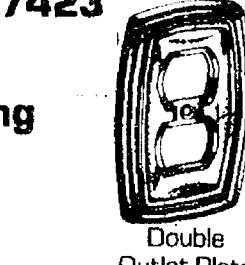
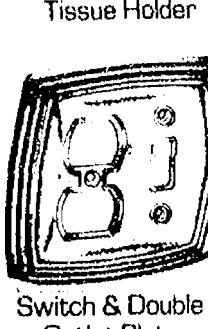
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Announce Engagement



Chuck and Ann Stoddard of Frederic wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Barbara Stoddard to John Patnode, son of John and Dorothy Patnode of Roscommon. A June wedding is being planned.

Editor's Mailbox

February 22, 1984

Dear Mr. Madsen:
While I sympathize with your 'deluge' of mail, considering it must be read, trashed, set for print, etc., I do take exception to your statement that such letters are 'unnecessary'. As polemics is my art and truth my religion, delving into and oftentimes attacking myths directly is vital to the creation of history. This has always been the price we pay for truthful illumination. I don't, however, consider myself stimulating a 'vendetta' for trying to glean fact from fiction.

Scholars have often found research conflicting, but I must thank Pastor Barnett for adding to my store of dubiousness. If a document entitled "Humanist Manifesto" does exist, he has every right to chastise its authors. On the polemic hand, the people who comprise this ambiguous group should also have freedom to express their opinions, though they appear to be what we call Evolutionists, little more.

The above premise happens to be the genius behind our entire political system. Petrarch, Erasmus, and Chaucer were avowed humanists, as were Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson the leading expositors of the theory in their era. What we clearly have here is a disagreement over the term 'humanist', not a vendetta. M. Arnold gives a lucid description of a humanist in his Culture and Anarchy. To wit: "One who has knowledge, knows how to live with his fellow man, whose mental powers are in balance, can appreciate beauty, has high standards and sound moral judgments." We might all aspire to achieve that virtuous definition, for if this country ever returns to a time when only certain views may be voiced or held, then we will have effectively succumbed to the tenets of anarchy. We will have ceased to evolve as Nature's highest life form.

Now, it may seem that all of Grayling is currently embroiled in the K mart to-be or not-to-be controversy, but I believe that most of your readers are not wholly consumed by this issue. My hazarded guess would be that no more than 5-6 people regularly lose sleep over it. I know that at least one of us must ponder whether or not we "Christian Humanists" should be shot at sunrise, though according to some, we could not exist.

Admit it, Sir, don't you find it intriguing to get mail from someone who could not exist, as well as from those who are apparently disagreeing with a non-entity? Don't know what Plato's school would say about K mart, but to me, he's still saying "I think, therefore I am."

Respectfully submitted,
S.D. Newland-Smith
Rt. 4, Box 4300
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Beth Morrison
E-72
Grayling

Bride Elect



Mr. and Mrs. Ed Anderson of Harrison are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter LaDonna to Bradley Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Davis of Grayling.

A May 5th wedding is planned.

To Speak Vows



Mr. John R. Hahn of Grayling would like to announce the engagement of his granddaughter, Patricia Ann, to Jeffery Luce, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Fleming, also of Grayling. The wedding will take place in July.

Crawford County Board of Commissioners

February 7, 1984 Regular Meeting

SYNOPSIS

The February 7, 1984, Meeting of the County Board convened at 9:40 a.m. All commissioners attended but Miller, and three visitors were present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION, THE BOARD:

Approved the January 26, 1984 Minutes with two corrections. The reference to the 'front-end loader at the Landfill' was changed to 'generator'; and Harland's relationship to the Commission on Aging was clarified. She is not a member of the Commission on Aging, but is rather a Board of Commissioner liaison to that body.

Acknowledged and accepted 22 pieces of correspondence.

Approved payment of General Fund vouchers in the amount of \$77,626.40, and Fish Hatchery bills totalling \$16.71.

Approved commissioners' salary, per diem and expenses respectively as follows: Kitchen: \$200.00, \$190.00 and none. Harland: \$150.00, \$280.00 and \$40.92. Neilson: \$150.00, \$240.00 and \$39.16. Mattis: \$150.00, \$280.00 and \$38.72. Joyce: \$150.00, \$350.00 and \$111.34. Welser: \$150.00, \$130.00 and \$2.64.

Elected to request a refund of a \$647.00 overpayment in NEMCOG dues, rather than have that amount credited to 1985 dues.

Authorized purchase of another copy of 1979-1980 Attorney General Opinions at a cost of \$45.00.

Voted to pick up one year and eight months of service under the Municipal Employees Retirement System for the District Court Probation Officer.

Supported Grayling Township's application for a Small Cities Program Start-Up Grant to fund an engineering study for an industrial rail siding and trans-loading facility.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Neilson reported that since Crawford had less than 80 inches of snow last winter, it will not be entitled to monies from the County Road Commission's Snow Removal Fund.

Programs administered through the Commission on Aging were reviewed. A representative from Beaver Creek is still being sought for membership on that Board.

Roads & Bridges reported that the Road Commission will cooperate in initiating the CoPoCo numbering system by helping to resolve the problem of duplicate road names. Nothing has been done relative to establishing a normal lake level for Sailing Lake.

The Equalization Director will review the City Assessing Contract with the City.

The Sheriff reported that an incident at Hanson Hills is being investigated; and that a report will be submitted to the Prosecutor when it is completed. The department's two new typewriters were delivered, and cost included trade-ins. Also discussed were prisoners' board, hours of Auxiliary and benefits of the lein system, and use of the ambulance at Camp Grayling. The Sheriff and his Department personnel were complimented on their excellent monthly and annual reports.

Several items included under the Clerk's Report were as

follows:

The Building Authority is obtaining bids on insulation, and may have a recommendation by the next Board meeting.

A lawsuit has been filed against the County and several members of the Sheriff Department.

A letter from the Dept. of Management & Budget relative to lump-sum adjustments on their leased property was received.

Oscego County has notified us of the balance of 1983 Circuit Court and Friend of the Court expenditures; and this has been included in the payables for 1983.

Some literature on pre-applications for land and water conservation funds has been obtained; with Hanson Hills, Wakeley Bridge Park and the Fish Hatchery in mind. Randy Thompson will be asked to pursue any available grants.

Requirements relative to handicapped rights and hearing changes under Federal Revenue Sharing Programs have been received.

Our computer firm has all of our year-end work; and it should be returned within two weeks.

The Planning and Zoning Commissions are still reviewing proposals from Planning Consultants.

A grant proposal from the Grayling Recreation Authority for a modern wood technology museum has received initial approval of the Northeast Mich. Consortium, and has been submitted to Lansing.

The poor economy has resulted in many delinquent housing rehabilitation loans.

Labor reported that non-supervisory Sheriff Dept. personnel are pursuing different union affiliation; and that the County is presently under no obligation to bargain. Two grievances have been filed. District Court employees are seeking to affiliate with the Roscommon District Court union chapter; and the AFSCME local has filed its demands.

Numerous materials from NEMCOG relative to solid waste alternatives are being reviewed; and Commissioner Welser will represent the Board on the Northeast Mich. Solid Waste Planning Committee.

DISCUSSION ITEMS INCLUDED:

Full-time Probate Judgeships. Judge Kraus participated in the discussion. He indicated he favored the position being full-time, since it would eliminate conflicts of interest and the need for visiting judges.

Also discussed was the possibility of the county entering into an agreement with the Co-operative Extension Service to do our own accounting by computer, rather than contracting it to an outside firm as is presently done. MSU Economist Al House had met with commissioners and explained the program, which includes training of personnel. House felt that having the status of county finances on hand at all times would aid in budget control, and cost less than outside contracting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Full text of official minutes is available in the Office of the Crawford County Clerk.

Jeannette J. Kitchen, Chairperson

Elizabeth H. Wieland, County Clerk

BEAVER CREEK TWP. BOARD OF REVIEW

The Beaver Creek Township Board of Review will meet Monday, March 12, 1984 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Monday, March 19, 1984 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Beaver Creek Township Hall, corner of Oak & 7 Mile Rd. to meet with taxpayers.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00
Commercial	50.00	1.00
Industrial	50.00	1.00
Residential	50.00	1.00
CLETIS SPEARS SUPERVISOR		FLORENCE NELSON CLERK

CITY OF GRAYLING BOARD OF REVIEW

City of Grayling Board of Review will meet March 12th and 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Friday, March 16th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, March 17th, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the County Building to meet with taxpayers.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	-0-	-0-
Commercial	50.00	-1-
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LARRY D. HUNTER EQUALIZATION DIRECTOR		

FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Frederic Township Board of Review will meet March 12th, 13th and 17th, 1984 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 noon and also 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. at the Frederic Township Hall to meet with taxpayers.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	48.52	1.0305
Commercial	47.37	1.0555
Industrial	50.00	1.0000
Residential	50.00	1.0000
Personal	50.00	1.0000
HAROLD MERTES SUPERVISOR		MILDRED HARMER CLERK

MAPLE FOREST TWP. BOARD OF REVIEW

Maple Forest Township Board of Review will meet on Monday, March 12th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Tuesday, March 13th from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. to meet with taxpayers.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	33.37	1.4983
Commercial	30.85	1.6207
Industrial	-0-	-0-
Residential	36.73	1.3613
Personal	50.00	1.00
Susan Keene, Clerk		

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

Grayling Township Board of Review will meet March 12th and 13th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Grayling Township Offices, W M-72 Plaza, to meet with taxpayers.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00
Commercial	50.00	1.00
Industrial	50.00	1.00
Residential	50.00	1.00
MONICA S. ASHTON, CLERK B.J. FOWLER, SUPERVISOR		

SOUTH BRANCH TWP. BOARD OF REVIEW

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet Monday, March 12, 1984 and Tuesday, March 13, 1984 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. in the conference room at the township hall to meet with taxpayers. 5245 M-18, Roscommon.

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00
Commercial	50.00	1.00
Industrial	50.00	1.00
Residential	50.00	1.00
George Rybicki Supervisor		Mary Mollon Township Clerk

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF REVIEW

The Lovells Township Board of Review will meet Monday, March 12, 1984 and Tuesday, March 1

National Forest Timber For Sale

NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER SALE, HURON-MANISTEE NATIONAL FORESTS, ODESSA SALE, located within Sections 28 and 29, T25N, R1E, Michigan, Meridian, Oscoda County, Michigan. Sealed bids will be received by the Forest Supervisor, U.S. Forest Service, Cadillac, Michigan up to 11:00 A.M. local time at place of bid opening on March 26, 1984, for an estimated 3320 Mbf of timber marked or otherwise designated for cutting. The estimated volume by species, product, unit of measure, and the minimum acceptable bid rate is:

296 Mbf of Jack Pine Sawlogs at \$11.99 per Mbf;
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68 Ccf of Mixed Hardwood Pulpwood at \$9.79 per Ccf;
2182 Ccf of Jack Pine Pulpwood at \$6.80 per Ccf;
2228 Ccf of Red Pine Pulpwood at \$7.49 per Ccf;
31 Ccf of Aspen Pulpwood at \$13.34 per Ccf;

Applicable purchaser road credits are \$2317.00. The required bid guarantee is \$2000.00. The high bidder whose bid is accepted must within 30 days of receipt of written notification furnish a cash deposit, or provide effective Purchaser credit in the amount of 10 percent of total bid value rounded up to next \$100.00. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved. Full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale, and the submission of bids should be obtained from the District Ranger at Mio, Michigan or the Forest Supervisor at Cadillac, Michigan.

Home Builders Show at Houghton Lake

Everything from overhead doors to custom designed homes will be featured at a Regional Home Builders Show planned for March 9, 10 and 11.

This year's show will be held in the Holidome of the Houghton Lake Holiday Inn on M-55 near US-27 in Houghton Lake. The event is being sponsored by the Mid Michigan Plan Service, an organization of regional building contractors, suppliers and associates. The organization has members in Houghton Lake, Roscommon, Merritt, St. Helen, Grayling, Harrison, West Branch, Gladwin and many other areas of Northern

Michigan.

Over three dozen exhibitors will feature wood stoves, heat pumps, high efficiency furnaces, brick, kitchen design and much more. Many area contractors and suppliers will offer state of the art demonstrations of the products and services they represent.

The show will run Friday from 3 - 9 p.m., Saturday from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 11 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Drawings will be held to give away over three dozen door prizes. In addition a beautiful deck package will be given as a grand prize to some lucky winner. To qualify, an admission ticket costing one dollar must be purchased. Pre-school children will be admitted free. Parking is free.

Several booths are still available for interested exhibitors. For more information contact Dave Riebschleger at 366-7682.

John R. Hahn Dies in Flint

All combat wounded Veterans who have been awarded the Purple Heart medal are eligible for charter membership in the newly organized, Military order of the Purple Heart. Chapter 1985, Robert N. Bradley, Gaylord, Mi. Meeting dates will be the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Gaylord Fire Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Eligible Veterans can receive a free first year's membership, compliments of the department of Michigan Military Order of the Purple Heart. For further information contact George Duffield 732-4451 or Louis Tebbs 732-6235.

The military order of the Purple Heart was congressionally chartered by the 85th Congress August 26, 1958.

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Senior Citizen Homemaker Services

Loneliness is the biggest problem in life some people say. Especially the handicapped homebound senior citizen. Volunteer Friendly Visitors help to alleviate some of this - if we could only find some. Mike our new outreach Worker has found many of these unfortunate people since he has been doing his surveys. If you could just 1 hour a week to visit just one of these people it would bring much sunshine & pleasure to a lonely homebound person. Many times weeks go by without seeing a neighbor, friend or relative.

Who are Friendly Visitors?

They are men, women, young or elderly who wholeheartedly & sincerely give their time, energy and devotion to lonely older persons without personal reward. Their reward is knowing that they have brought happiness to someone that probably won't see anyone until your next visit.

What are Friendly Visitors?

Friendly Visitors come from many races, they are red, yellow, black & white. They are precious in the homebound senior citizens sight. They are from widely varying cultural backgrounds, faiths & social economic levels. They have a common goal - to be pleasant, cheerful, kind and understanding. Anyone can be enrolled in this Volunteer Program. The Friendly Visitor will be covered by insurance & reimbursed for miles driven.

R.S.V.P. is a part of the Crawford County Commission on Aging Program, directed by Sherry Haag. To register call 348-8322 or 348-9314.

We also still have the Homemaker Services Program. We offer light housekeeping and limited transportation to all handicapped Crawford County Senior Citizens 60 years of age or older. This service consists of dusting, vacuuming, meal preparation, washing dishes, light laundry, changing bedding, cleaning kitchen, bathroom, bedroom and living room. The transportation service is limited for the handicapped Senior Citizen who needs transportation to the doctor, to have prescriptions filled, groceries etc. However, if you are able to use Dial-A-Ride please do so as it is much less expensive.

If you need the Homemaker Services or know of anyone that does please call the Senior Citizen Center at 348-9314 or drop in, and see us at 308 Lawndale. We will be more than happy to help you.

Joyce Hankins
Homemaker Coordinator

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

March 6th

It was the tradition, during the season of Lent in Merry Olde England, to deny oneself of any rich or sweet foods (a very great sacrifice for some, even today). In order to rid the manor house of all such delicacies, a great feast was prepared on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday, which is the official first day of Lent. Rich cakes were made, adding all the sugar and other seasonings which could be found in the house which were of a rich nature. The cakes could be likened to our pancakes of today.

In keeping with this tradition, the Parish of Saint Francis' Episcopal Church wished to invite you to participate in our own celebration of Shrove Tuesday. It has become a tradition for our church to have a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, and this year's feast will be held on Tuesday, March 6th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Donations will be \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children under 12, and children under 5 may eat for free.

The church is located on M-72 West, and coming from its doors on that evening will be the tantalizing smells of plain and blueberry pancakes, potato pancakes with or without sour cream, smoked sausage and applesauce. You may have all the pancakes you can eat, so come and celebrate with us!!

Senior Citizens Activities

Mon., Mar. 5 - 11:30 a.m. Lunch, 1:30 p.m.-Mary Kay consultant Rose Sheahan, 3:00 p.m.-Choral, 5:00 p.m.-Dinner, 5:30 p.m.-Current Events

Tues., March 6 - 10:00 a.m.-Exercise, 11:30 a.m.-Lunch, 1:30 p.m.-Bowling, 1:30 p.m.-Flower Arranging, 2:00 p.m.-Dinner, 5:30 p.m.-Dancing.

Wed., March 7 - 11:30 a.m.-Lunch, 12:30 p.m.-Bingo, 1:30 p.m.-Stag Party, 4:30 p.m.-Cardo, 5:00 p.m.-Birth Day Dinner, 5:30 p.m.-Sister Cecilia.

Thurs., March 8 - 10:00 a.m.-Bible Study, 11:30 a.m.-Lunch, 12:30 p.m.-Blood Pressure, 12:30 p.m.-Vial of Life, 1:30 p.m.-China Painting, 1:30 p.m.-Kitchen Band, 5:00 p.m.-Dinner, 5:30 p.m.-Computers.

Fri., March 9 - 11:30 a.m.-South Branch Satellite, 12:00 Noon - Dinner, 1:00 p.m.-St. Patrick's Day Party.

SPECIAL EVENTS

March 9 - 1:00 p.m. - St. Patrick's Day Party. Wear something Green, there is no charge and everyone is invited.

March 11 - 2:45 p.m.-Buffet at Forward's in West Branch, \$10.00.

March 15, 16 & 17 Flea Market at the Center.

March 21 - 8:11:00 a.m.-Blood Sugar Testing at the Center. \$1.00 donation for Health Dept. supplies.

March 23 - 1:00 p.m.-Handicapped & 80-100 yr. Party at the Center.

March 25-27th - Grand Traverse Hilton in Acme.

Sign up now.

For more information, please call 348-9314, or stop by the Center at 308 Lawndale in Grayling.

Daniels' Den

Dave and Karen Ross and Keyna Kerekas from Grayling will be featured as singers at Daniels' Den this Saturday, March 3rd. We are looking forward to a beautiful evening of music from 8:00-12:00 p.m.

A standing room only crowd from Gaylord, Fairview, Roscommon and Grayling enjoyed the humor and music of Eric Cherry last week. He had everyone in stitches and will definitely be invited back to perform again.

Daniels' Den is sponsoring the Gethsemane Concert on March 10th at 8:00 p.m. at the Middle School Gym. Tickets are \$2.00 in advance and \$2.50 at the door and are available at Dan and Maggies, Callahans Sunoco or from Trish Halstead ticket chairperson, 348-7514.

Daniels' Den is located on the corner of I-75 and is open every Saturday from 8:00 to 12:00 p.m. (However will be closed March 10th for the Gethsemane Concert).

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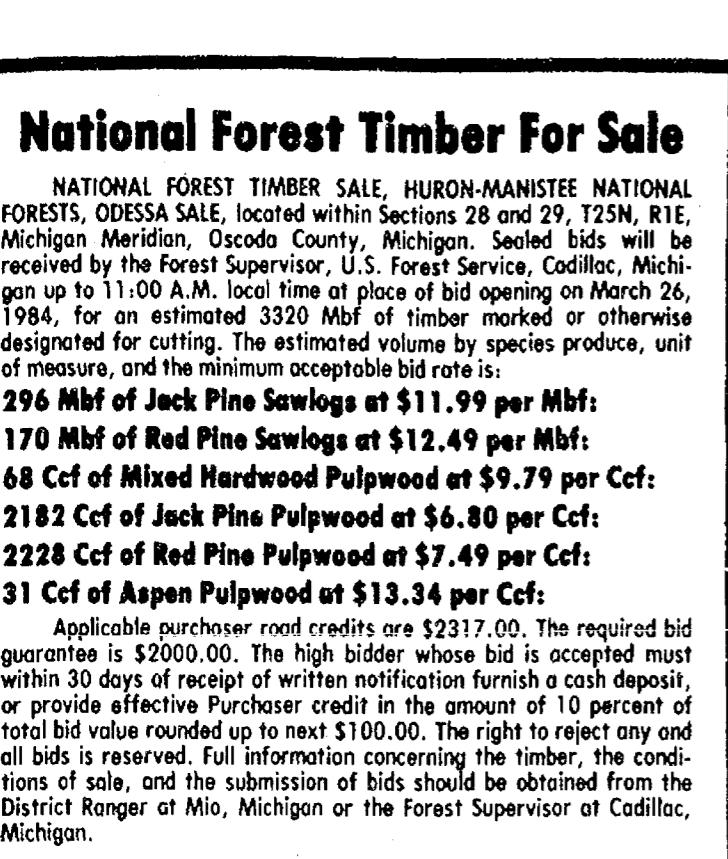
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Play March 7th

Vikes Draw Bye in District

Grayling will play the winner of a Houghton Lake-Lake City game in district action in the state basketball tournament.

Houghton Lake and Lake City play the opening game of the district at Houghton Lake Monday, March 5, at 6:30 p.m. Whittemore-Prescott plays Roscommon Tuesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m.

Grayling meets the winner of the first game Wednesday. The winner of the Whittemore-Roscommon game plays the winner of the Grayling game in the finals Friday, March 9.

Grayling is the favored team in the district with its 11-8 record. All the other teams are below .500 percent. Grayling beat Houghton Lake twice this year and split two games with Roscommon.

On Tuesday, Feb. 20, Grayling overcame a slow start to beat Houghton Lake

74-69 at home. The Vikings were behind 8-0 before they started a 28-19 run to lead by one point at halftime.

Coach Butch Hayes said his team played good defense throughout the last three quarters of the game. Grayling held off a late Houghton Lake comeback with a basket by Mike Hickey and two free throws by Wayne Ross.

Jim Stewart led Grayling with 19 points, Hickey added 16, Ross 13, Nicholas 12, Rod Patterson 10, Paul Hamlin 3, and Mick Lovely 2.

Against league-leading Charlevoix Friday away, Grayling couldn't keep up in the second half losing 62-63. The Vikings came back from an 18-8 first quarter deficit to trail 48-30 at half. In the third period Grayling was within six points before Charlevoix put them away.

Grayling shot only 23 percent (15 for 66) from the floor

Day Care News

Crawford AuSable Day Care children enjoyed a winter sleigh ride on Valentine's Day. After lots of fresh air and laughter all 32 children enjoyed hot chocolate and Valentine treats.

We always have lots of fun sharing cards and after all the excitement the teachers wished they could take a nap with the children.

Our drawing is underway and we have received 10 wonderful gifts from businesses in our community, they include: Gift Certificate from Weaver's, Big Ben's, True Value Hardware, The Village Shop and Grayling Mercantile, also other gifts from Chief Shoppenagon's, ProMart, and Flowers by Josie.

Remember parents, if you respect your child they will learn to respect you. Have a nice day!

Popular

"Ms." the non-traditional form of address, is growing more popular. Twenty-one percent of women asked in a recent Roper poll preferred it. This is up from 18 percent in 1977 and 11 percent in 1973.

Budget

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overline, over \$6,497.

The child care fund which takes care of foster children was \$19,445 over budget. State hospital costs ran \$5,903 over budget.

Funding for the airport in 1983 was \$62,000 over the budgeted amount. About \$42,000 of the extra amount was for a 1982 debt.

Several departments spent less than their budgeted amount. The top ten with money left in their budget are building and grounds - \$9,472 left, marine law enforcement - \$4,017 left, general ambulance - \$3,849, friend of the court - \$3,513, prosecutor's co-op program - \$3,238, county clerk - \$2,961, medical examiner - \$2,715, equalization office - \$1,709, county co-operative extension office - \$1,584, and county treasurer - \$1,527.

The county started 1983 with a fund balance of \$30,401. Expenses exceeded revenues by about \$108,000 for the year.

Albosta

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sons appealing their assessments varies each year as does the percentage of assessments changed or declared fair. He said the average adjustment of assessments that are changed is about \$1,500.

Barney Rust, of Detroit, who recently won an adjustment of \$4,000 on his Grayling Township property, said it was worth it going to the tax tribunal.

"It's not all that troublesome," he said. "First you protest it to the local board of review and then there are some simple papers to fill out to appeal to the tax tribunal."

Rust said the tax tribunal hearing takes place in the county where your property is located and the whole process takes only a few hours of your time.

Most residential property appeals are heard by a single hearing officer under the small claims division of the tax tribunal.

Grayling Volleyballers Face Charlevoix in District Play

Grayling will try to match a thrilling five-game victory over Charlevoix when they meet their league foe in the first round of state tournament play Saturday, March 10.

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Thunderbirds To Appear At Wurtsmith

Wurtsmith Air Force Base - The U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds aerial demonstration team is scheduled to perform at the Wurtsmith Air Force Base, Mich., Open House Saturday, July 28.

The Thunderbirds fly the F-16 "Fighting Falcon," an American frontline fighter aircraft capable of accelerating to twice the speed of sound.

Based at Nellis Air Force Base, Nev., the Thunderbirds tour the United States giving performances featuring precision formation flying and high-speed

Hospital

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the Medicare program went into effect, but according to the administrator, "we had not expected a decline this soon."

During the employee forums she told employees "I think we can make it through this difficult time together without lay-offs if we take preventative steps now rather than waiting until we are in a crisis."

The Federal government has predicted the closing of several hundred hospitals over the next three years as a direct result of the new Medicare reimbursement plan, "I assure you, Mercy Hospital will not be one of them," she said.

At a hospital department head meeting Monday, the administrator requested feed-back from middle managers regarding their employee's reaction to the forums and the voluntary cut-backs. Department heads indicated that many employees were cooperating with the plan and are even proposing additional cost-reducing measures. Some employees expressed concern about voluntary hourly cut-backs and how it would be implemented. Sister Mary Ellen noted their concerns and said they would be resolved.

It was also reported at the meeting a significant decrease in total employee hours had been realized over the past two weeks. Jim Packard, vice president of Mercy Hospital, said it appeared as though the voluntary program was working well.

He pointed out that Mercy Hospital needs more "flexibility in its staffing" in the future. "Previously we staffed for the high volume periods during the summer months and carried employees through the winter to assure adequate help, we can no longer afford to do that," he said.

Staffing is not the only area where cost-saving steps are being taken. Efforts are underway to reduce waste and excess purchasing. It was revealed last week that \$50,000 will be saved over the next year as a result of product evaluation efforts by Mercy Hospital's Nursing staff.

Eighty nurses from the local hospital participated in the collaborative effort with the Michigan Mercy Purchasing Group which has set a evaluation/purchasing precedence for other hospitals to follow.

It is this type of concern and dedication that is so valuable to the hospital, the administrator said. "We have the finest complement of employees of any hospital I have worked at, and I have little doubt concerning our future success," she said.

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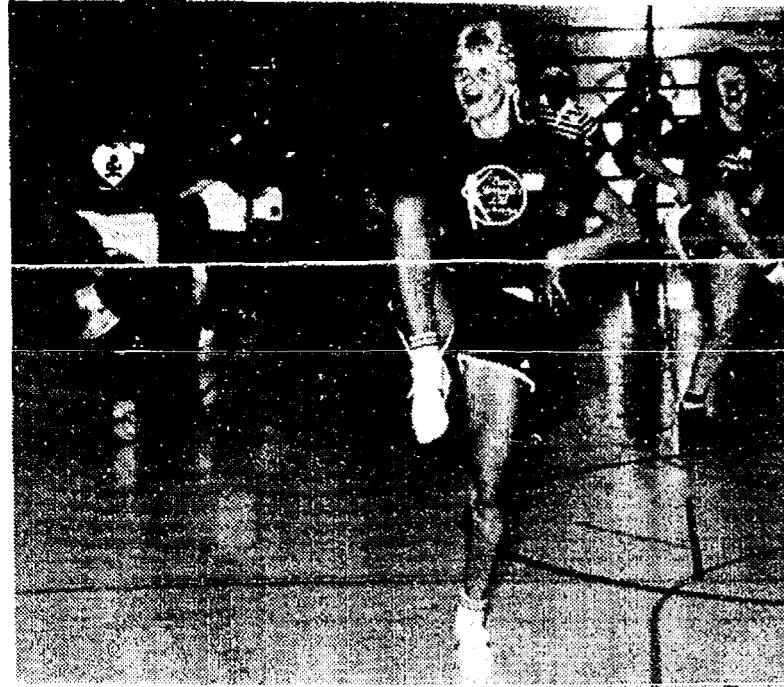
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New Fitness Program Offered in Grayling



A new aerobic fitness program is starting in Grayling offering area residents an opportunity to shape up for spring and have fun doing it!

Dance Slimnastics Ltd., a nationally recognized aerobic fitness club, will offer area residents a seven-week series of classes beginning the week of March 5th.

Fitness-minded individuals can work out aerobically as many times per week as desired while they lose inches, tone muscles and improve the cardio-vascular, or heart and lungs, system.

Classes are one hour in length and feature a variety of music and easy-to-learn steps. It's inexpensive, effective and fun! Dance Slimnastics currently offers

classes in Emmett, Charlevoix, Antrim, Kalkaska and Grand Traverse Counties as well as in the upper peninsula and downstate.

Classes in Grayling will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church on Peninsular Street and will be held Mondays and Wednesdays, 5:15 - 6:15 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

The first class is free. Participants are urged to wear loose, comfortable clothing and good supportive athletic shoes.

For further information or to pre-register, call 348-7497.

Dance Slimnastics Ltd. is a non-profit aerobic fitness organization with classes and instructor training sessions offered in 28 states.

Lenten Series

The AuSable Ministerial Association is once again pleased to announce the popular Lenten series "A Journey of Faith." Lay persons from six area churches will share what faith in God has meant in their lives.

This unique program which attracted many people last year during the Lenten season will take place during the noon hour during the first six Thursdays of Lent at the St. Mary's Family Center.

The program includes prayer, scripture, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome to attend. All you need to do is bring a sack lunch. Coffee and a babysitting service will be provided. Program responsibilities are as follows:

Thursday Noon: March 8th: The Assembly of God Church; March 15th: Michelson Memorial United Methodist; March 22nd: Grayling Free Methodist Church; March 29th: St. Mary's Church; April 5th: St. Francis' Episcopal Church; April 12th: St. John Lutheran Church.

Plan to attend and bring a friend with you!

Diet Drink

Skim milk contains less than 0.5 percent milk fat, and an 8-ounce glass has only about 90 calories.

Despite its name, a cup of buttermilk has only 99 calories, compared with 150 in the same amount of whole milk.

American Legion Auxiliary News

By Laurie Jenson, P.R. Director

Last Wednesday evening a job seminar was held at the Legion Hall, sponsored by our auxiliary. This was a huge success. We were quite pleased with the turnout. Many thanks go out to the following people that volunteered their time and offered their knowledge to us. Penni White, Col. Ivan Gwilt, Bob Becks, Jim Karpicki and Al Parks. Thanks to all of you for helping. Many thanks also to Roselyn Johnson who was the chairman of this event. I'm sure that without you this event wouldn't have turned out so well.

10th District meeting is coming up on March 3rd at Midland. Check it out, you'd be surprised how much of an enjoyable day this can be.

Don't forget our monthly meeting, coming up Wednesday, March 14. We hope more of you ladies attend this meeting. We do have some good things coming up in the next few weeks.

I would like to remind you ladies of the Legion Birthday Party, coming up on March 17th, we have been asked by the men to bring a dish to pass.

This is a reminder to everyone that we have Bingo down at the post every Thursday night at 7:00, come out and play or work.

Did anyone ever find out what happened to Betty McLeod's spaghetti?

Kirtland to Present "Silent Snapshot" Show



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Don and Elsie Jansen were in attendance at the MPMCA convention in Kalamazoo from February 15 to 19. Don was a delegate and Elsie retired as president of the auxiliary. On Sunday they stopped and enjoyed dinner with former Grayling residents, Glen and Elsie Nolan in Lansing.

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F.J. and Jean McClain of Redford spent the weekend in Grayling visiting her mother, Mrs. Sadie Brady, and other relatives.

On February 11, Carol Anglebrant and Mike Kelly were married in Gainesville, Florida. Carol is the daughter of Mrs. Al Kesteloot and Hazel Hatfield of Grayling.

Mike, Carol, and Shannon

spent a week at the Al Kesteloot home visiting friends and relatives.

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Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanson of Buchanan, and their son, Gordie Hanson, who is on leave from the US Navy in Japan, spent several days in the area. They visited their mother, Mrs. Holden, in Johannesburg and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanson. Gordie remained with his grandparents for another week.

Although it's too early for yard work, we know that with the snow almost gone, people are thinking about it and the seed catalogs are coming out. Gardeners, are there people out there who are interested in a garden club? I am not aware that there ever has been one in Grayling, but I could be mistaken. Are there some newcomers to the area that have been involved in one? If you are interested, please call the city manager, Jerry Morford, or Judy Gibbons at Weaver's Gifts, or Robert Bovee at the Courthouse.

Kindergarten Round-Up at Frederic

It's kindergarten round-up time at Frederic Elementary. If you have a child that will be 5 years old on or before December 1, 1984 they are eligible to attend kindergarten next September.

For those that will be attending next September please enroll your child during the week of February 20-29th. When you visit the school to register your child please bring their birth or baptismal certificate and their updated shot record. If you are unable to come in that week, please call the school at 348-7641 during school hours, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to make other arrangements.

When you come in or call you will receive additional information regarding: preschool physicals, vision and hearing screening, immunization clinics, preschool screening activities and visitation day(s).

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TOP CITIZENS — Citizen's of the Week for the month of January in Mrs. Larson's first grade classroom are Douglas Pine, Misty Burden, Tammy Hinds, and Joel Lewis. These students have set a good example for others to follow by striving for excellence in their work and behavior. Their teacher is proud of them as well as their peers.

Chamber Chatter

By Joyce Kolka

Recent developments in a cooperative tourism program in the northeastern portion of the state and the existing cooperative in the northwestern part, makes it essential that the possibilities of a similar program be investigated in the I-75 Corridor. With that in mind the chamber executive committee is planning to assemble a group of local people who would be willing to plan an area wide conference of representatives from the counties in the northern I-75 Corridor. The local people would assemble material for the conference and serve as temporary directors until the determination is made to continue the cooperative planning. At that point representatives from each county would organize themselves into a permanent unit. Tentative plans call for the committee to meet in March.

The question often arises about the fact that the chamber office appears to be almost completed but why will it not be available until June? The answer is that while it appears to be about finished on the outside, it will require a lot of finished carpentry on the inside.

The staff of the chamber toured the new facility last week and found out for themselves just how much work there is to do yet. Dale Lesh, the supervisor for the project is doing an excellent job of overseeing the work of the young people from the Crawford AuSable Schools. Lesh is employed under a cooperative arrangement with the Crawford AuSable School District and the C.O.R. Intermediate School District.

For those unable to view the building, the sheetrock is on the walls and it is stripped. On the inside there is much to do in the way of building cupboards for storage and constructing literature display racks. The floors and walls must also be completed. While the Building Trades young people are doing a very professional job, it does appear to be amateurs that there is much work yet to be done.

The latest word on the Fish Hatchery opening plans are for it to be open on the first day of trout season, April 28th, according to chairman Bob Smock, Jr. He has recently begun distribution of new literature handouts on the hatchery.

The spotlight this week shines on our part-time office assistant, Laurie Jenson, whose voice one hears over the telephone when calling the chamber office. She has become very knowledgeable about the county and assists tourists and mail requests with helpful information about the area. Many times Laurie has checked out an area or tourist information on her own time and called it into the office for later reference.

Laurie, a big "thanks" from all of us!

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast Period: 3/4-3/10/84

ARIES Mar. 21-Apr. 19	Responsibility for the financial affairs of a corporation or partnership falls on your strong shoulders.
TAURUS Apr. 20-May 20	A surprising turn of events in organizational matters leads to a more secure footing in partnership affairs.
GEMINI May 21-June 20	Increasing responsibility on the employment level draws heavily on your energy. Keep physical and mental faculties sharp.
CANCER June 21-July 22	Some sort of business deal having to do with the performing arts may sound rather appealing to you.
LEO July 23-Aug. 22	Intuitive faculties can be very revealing if you but listen. Heed the advice of an older family member.
VIRGO Aug. 23-Sept. 22	Curb the tendency to harshly criticize another's efforts. Proceed at a confident pace. No need to put others down.
LIBRA Sept. 23-Oct. 22	You have learned by now that it is really up to you to produce. Your hard work brings rewards.
SCORPIO Oct. 23-Nov. 21	Too much emphasis on personal achievements could result in a stressful atmosphere about you. Time for relaxation is a must.
SAGITTARIUS Nov. 22-Dec. 21	You'll probably experience a need to withdraw from the everyday bustle. Events come up that make it impossible.
CAPRICORN Dec. 22-Jan. 19	Organizational happenings demand much of your time and attention. Be tolerant of those less able than yourself.
AQUARIUS Jan. 20-Feb. 18	Responsibility and hard work still put heavy demands on your time. Keep your performance at a high level.
PISCES Feb. 19-Mar. 20	This should be a favorable time for you to realize your objectives in a writing or lecturing effort.

Crawford County Democratic Caucuses

Please be advised that the 1984 Democratic Presidential election caucuses have been scheduled for March 17, 1984, in the jury room of the Crawford County Courthouse.

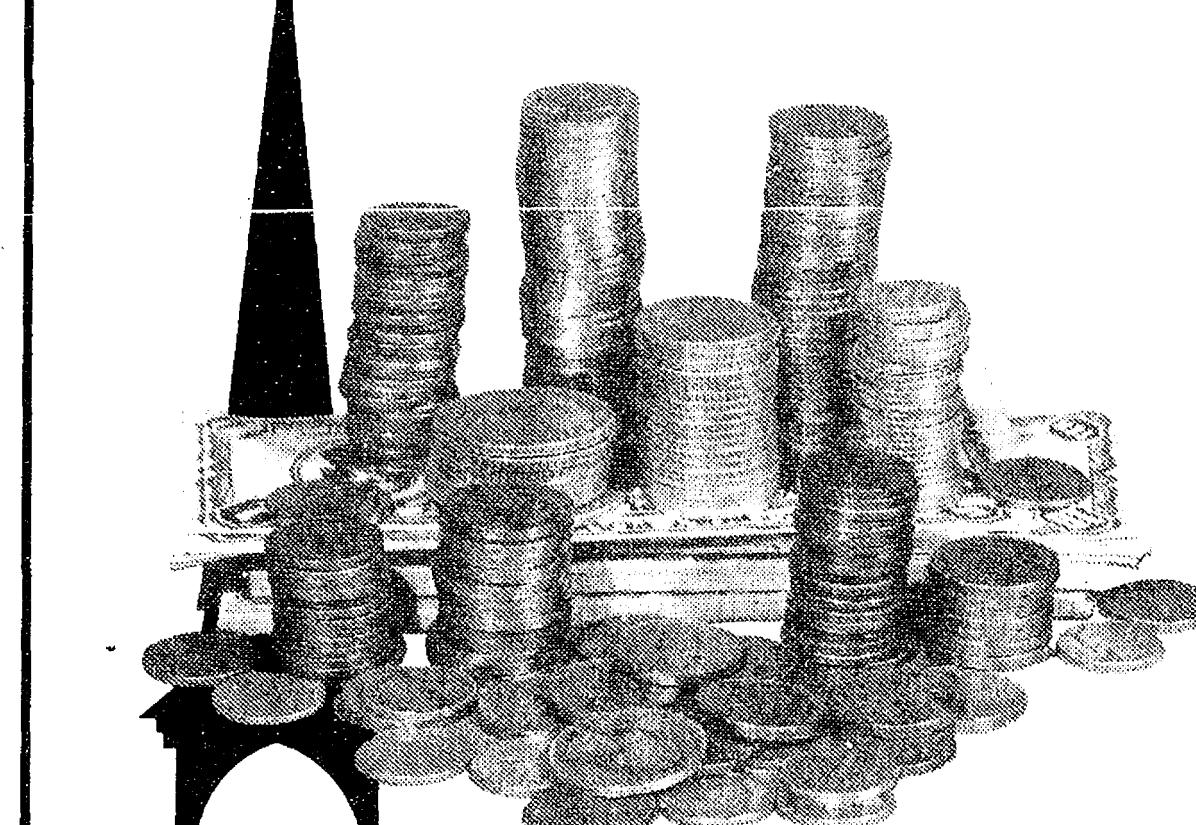
All registered Democratic voters should plan to cast their votes between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Any comments should be directed to:

Alton T. Davis
P.O. Drawer 665
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Monday Jeremiah 17:5-13
Tuesday Psalm 1:1-6
Wednesday 1Corinthians 15:12-34
Thursday Luke 6:17-19
Friday Leviticus 19:1-37
Saturday Psalm 103:1-22

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Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor:
This is in reply to Mrs. Bonkowski's article in the Feb. 23 issue of the Avalanche. (one must consider the source). For all her accusations perhaps she doesn't remember that Martin Bohn has been a builder in this community of the finest Aviation Mechanical School in the country at Grayling Airport. He engineered and built it with a lifetime of experience in the Aviation Field. It was built with surplus government equipment, which he personally repaired and engineered with prison labor. It's a monument to his accomplishments. One could come to our home and see the expertise on this as he built this with inexperienced help.

Politics is not his field but he feels obligated to get involved to try and save taxpayers money so retirees like us can survive. I would like the whole community to be aware of my husband's accomplishments and contribution to Grayling before they publish anymore degrading accusations. So, Mrs. Bonkowski, let's not cast anymore stones.

It's beyond me how President Reagan and especially Mrs. Reagan can so graciously take the flack the news media puts out when he has already accomplished so much for our country. I cannot stand passively by like they do, sorry, because I plan to enjoy the great home my husband built peacefully in his retirement, while he diligently works daily in his private garage workshop building, inventing, and maintaining our equipment for survival. But it looks like women will have to get involved in politics, too, to be able to do this. Proudly written by Mrs. Martin Bohn Rt. 5 Box 5393 Grayling, Mi 49738

To The Editor:
We are approaching a very important crossroads in Grayling this year. The decisions which we make might well have long lasting effects upon our future. You and I, as citizens of this fine and growing community, should think about that as we talk to our friends and neighbors, sign various petitions, vote on issues and candidates, and otherwise express our views on the important decisions regarding Crawford County.

As many of us have observed over the last several years, there has been a subtle "changing of the guard" in Grayling. The new leaders of this community have been successful drawing business and industry to the area. A number of new jobs have been created and a much larger tax base presently exists from which all of us receive varied services. It's nice to see Grayling growing. For decades we have turned our backs on economic growth.

What sometimes still bothers me though is how we still manage to turn this beautiful environment into islands of controversy over issues that directly affect our future.

Take the County Commissioners as the first example: Every week someone is writing a critical article about the high cost of county utilities, how much we're spending on law enforcement or the mistake the Commissioners made on an insulation bidding process. I don't think it's fair, appropriate or necessary. It certainly isn't constructive.

If there is a more "thankless" position in this county, I can't imagine what it is. We elected the Commissioners to represent this county's taxpayers, and spend our tax dollars as they saw best upon examination and study of the facts at hand. I think they have done a good job with what they have had to work with. They have to make hundreds of decisions and answer to every taxpayer on the street in regard to those decisions. They have made some mistakes and I assure you they will make some more - so have we. While there have been valleys during their tenure, there have also been peaks: increases in federal dollars, new business and industry and the renaissance of the Fish Hatchery and Hanson Hills, are all the

result of the County Commissioners rolling up their sleeves and working for you and me. Simply stated, if there are those among us that feel they can do a better job, I personally urge them to file their petition and run for office as a County Commissioner.

Another example that defies the laws of logic and peaceful co-existence among citizens here in Grayling is the new Middle School bond issue.

The fact of the matter is we are going to have a new Middle School eventually. If not this year, then next year, or the year after, or the year after that. The ridiculous part is the price increases about \$200,000 each year we vote no. If we refuse to pass that issue this year, and the issue is a new Middle School, than as taxpayers we are on our way to paying perhaps a million dollars more than the original cost.

Additionally, a solid school system has the advantages of drawing many professionals in the areas of medicine, business and industry. Ask Gaylord; most of what has passed Grayling up the last couple decades, due to closed-minded leadership and questionable school facilities, has moved on to Gaylord. That city is presently thriving. And as I see it, with solid, progressive leadership as we have now, and a new Middle School, Grayling is in the on-deck circle for some prosperity of its own.

A lot of people here are accused of being the silent majority because they either sit on the fence with issues or maintain a very low-profile. While it is much easier not to get involved, that can often be detrimental to the direction of a community's growth. The time appears to be at hand for each of us to take a positive stand and play a more active role in deciding Crawford County's future.

If we are to retain the integrity of county government, pass a new Middle School bond issue, continue to draw business and industry, reduce unemployment and provide the best possible services for all our citizens - this is it, 1984, and it's time to be counted.

Robert Smock, Jr.

Dear Mrs. Stockwell,
I hope the Avalanche will allow me to express my concern over your unanswered questions about the courthouse insulation project. Your anxiety should not be ignored.

With due respect to your motives, however, I seriously question the wisdom of your seeing answers to your questions in the newspaper. Surely, you would gain more insight by simply talking this matter over with the commissioner representative from your district.

Since you live in Timberly:

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County, Michigan, on

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A. Lot 17, Plat of Warbler's

Hideaway, according to the

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2, Page 12, Crawford County

Records;

C. Lots 189 and 190, Plat of

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the plat thereof recorded in

Liber 2, Page 27, Crawford

County Records; and,

D. Lots 343 and 344, Plat of

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Hideaway Association

200 Woodland Pass, Suite B

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Tele: (517) 351-6011

Dated: February 22, 1984

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Village, I strongly suggest, as I did to Mr. Lowe a week ago, that you take the time to discuss your concerns with Commissioner Welser. Since he is neighbor and landlord to both of you, such an approach would not only be convenient; but would certainly relieve both of your anxieties a great deal. Perhaps, you and Mr. Lowe could even set up a joint meeting with Mr. Welser, since your concerns are so similar. Better still, you might consider a get-together of all Timberly Village tenants for the purpose of open discussion, and a free exchange of ideas and concerns.

I'm quite certain that Mr. Welser would welcome such an exchange. My constituents call me regularly; and I not only expect it, but am grateful for their input. No commissioner, I assure you, is so busy that his constituents must glean their information from the media.

Should it be inconvenient to have such a meeting, please feel free to attend any regular County Board Meeting and address your questions to the full commission. We meet monthly on the 2nd Tuesday and last Thursday at 9:30 a.m.; and we welcome you to join us.

I hope I have been of some assistance to you.

Sincerely,
Mary E. Harland
Rt. 2, Box 2056
Grayling, Mi 49738

**Grayling
Elementary
School**

Miss Williams' morning and afternoon kindergarten classes made ice cream on February 10, 1984. They used now, milk, vanilla, and sugar. They mixed it all together in a bowl, then stirred it until creamy. When they were done mixing it they scooped it into cups and ate it. By Joell Schans, 5th grade.

Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In The Circuit Court For
The County of Crawford
Harold M. Guedry, a Single
Man, Plaintiff,

vs.
Danny Kosbar and Linda K.
Kosbar, Husband and Wife,
Defendants.

File No. 83-006-695-CH

Alton T. Davis (P24472)

Attorney for Plaintiff

Order to Answer, and
authorizing issuance of second
summons, pursuant to
MGR 1963, 102.4

At a session of said Court,
held in the City of Grayling,
Michigan, this 21st day of
February, 1984.

Present: The Honorable
William A. Porter, Circuit
Judge.

On the 25th day of August,
1983, an action was filed by
Harold M. Guedry, a Single
Man, Plaintiff, against Danny
Kosbar and Linda K. Kosbar,
Husband and Wife, Defendants,
in this Court and cause,
to foreclose a certain Land
Contract, dated the 14th day
of July, 1980, said property
being described as:

Maple Forest Township,
Crawford County, Michigan

Parcel L: The S 1/2 of the S 1/2
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SE 1/4 of Section 21, T28N,
R3W, according to survey,
and containing 10.3 acres,
more or less. Survey recorded
at Liber 14, Page 209.

Exempting and reserving all
gas, oil and mineral rights, and
storage thereof.

Exempting and reserving all
rights of ingress and egress
across existing trail roads.

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record.

It has further been demon-
strated that the initial Summons
in this cause will expire on
February 21, 1984, and Plaintiff's
counsel has, without opposition, requested
authority of this Court to
authorize issuance of a second
Summons(es) for a period of time
not to exceed One (1) Year from the date the
Complaint was filed; and

The Court being fully advised
in the premises;

IT IS HEREBY OR-
DERED that second Summons
shall issue in this Court and cause, and shall be
effective for a period of time
not to exceed One (1) Year
from the date of filing the
Complaint in this cause; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED
that the Defendants,
Danny Kosbar, and Linda K.
Kosbar, Husband and Wife,
shall answer or take such
other action as may be per-
mitted by law, on or before the
23rd day of April, 1984.

Failure to comply with this
Order will result in a Judgment
by Default against said
Defendants for the relief
demanded in the Complaint
filed in this Court and cause.

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Dated: February 22, 1984

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that issue this year, and the
issue is a new Middle School,
than as taxpayers we are on
our way to paying perhaps a
million dollars more than the
original cost.

Additionally, a solid school
system has the advantages of
drawing many professionals in
the areas of medicine, business
and industry. Ask Gaylord; most
of what has passed Grayling up
the last couple decades, due to
closed-minded leadership and
questionable school facilities,
has moved on to Gaylord. That
city is presently thriving. And as
I see it, with solid, progressive
leadership as we have now, and
a new Middle School, Grayling
is in the on-deck circle for some
prosperity of its own.

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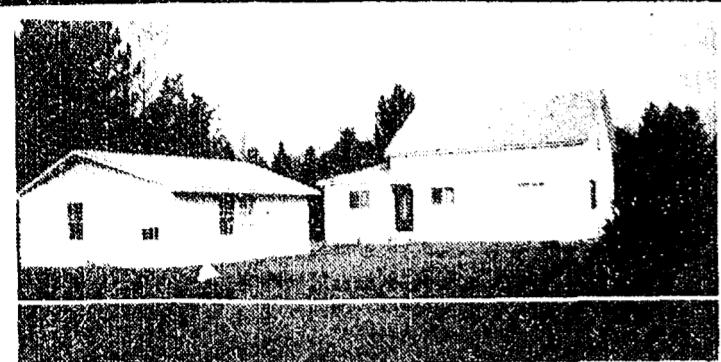
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**Community
Calendar
OF Events**

Mar. 1 & 2 - Rotary Minstrel Show - High School - 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 6 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper - St. Francis Church 5 p.m.-7 p.m.
Mar. 8 - Chamber Bd. of Directors Meeting 12:00 Noon
Mar. 12 - Blood Pressure Clinic - Mercy Hospital 3:30-7:30 p.m.
Mar. 15 - St. Patrick Lunch/Card Party - Chief Shoppenagons Hotel - sponsored by Mercy Hospital Auxiliary 12:00 Noon
Mar. 17 - American Legion Birthday Party 9 p.m.-1 a.m.

Phone in your public events to: 348-2921.
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Across from the Fire Station.

**TO THE CUSTOMERS OF
MICHIGAN CONSOLIDATED GAS COMPANY**
Case No. U-7480-R

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON
GAS COST RECONCILIATION PROCEEDING**

Pursuant to 1982 PA 304, the Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) has ordered the commencement of a Gas Cost Reconciliation Proceeding to allow the Commission to reconcile the revenue recorded by Michigan Consolidated Gas Company (MichCon) applicable to its 1983 Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) factors with the gas costs actually expended. Under Section 6h(12) of 1982 PA 304, the reconciliation proceeding will provide the parties and interested persons an opportunity to address issues including, but not limited to, the reasonableness and prudence of expenditures and the amounts collected pursuant to MichCon's GCR clause. The Commission shall consider any issue regarding the reasonableness and prudence of expenses for which customers were charged if the issue could not have been considered adequately at a previous gas supply and cost review proceeding.

Sections 6h(13), (14) and (15) of 1982 PA 304 contain provisions concerning refunds, interest, and credits or additional charges resulting from overrecovery or underrecovery of cost of gas expenses.

For the calendar year 1983, MichCon is in an overrecovery situation and in accordance with the provisions of 1982 PA 304 proposes to refund approximately \$20 million to its customers. For a typical residential heating customer using about 150 Mcf a year, the refund amount would be approximately ten dollars.

Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1909 PA 300, as amended, MCLA 462.2 et seq.; 1919 PA 419, as amended, MCLA 460.51 et seq.; 1939 PA 3, as amended, MCLA 460.1 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCLA 24.261 et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 1979 Administrative Code, R 460.11 et seq.

**Jump for Heart
At The
Middle School**

At the Grayling Middle School gym, "Jump Rope for Heart" will be held on March 6, 1984, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. This will be a three hour event. The event is being held for the purpose of raising money for the American Heart Association of Michigan. The participants will be students of the Grayling Middle School. The fund-raising will benefit the American Heart Association and will help buy educational materials and athletic equipment for the Grayling Middle School.

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BITS By Fay

James and Kitty Lee Lorenzen of Charlotte, North Carolina, are happy over the arrival of Matthew James, who was born on February 5, 1984. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Funk of Grayling, and Katie's first grandchild arrived on her birthday! Paternal grandmother is Mrs. Laurie Lorenzen of Charlotte.

Mrs. Ruth Fenton, Mrs. Maxine Fenton and Mrs. Peg Milnes were in Clare last week to visit Peg's sister and husband, Sal and Eddy Hubel. He is recovering from a broken hip and getting along very well.

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RSVP Reports

Sherry Haag, Dir.

Welcome to news of The Retired Senior Volunteer Program. RSVP volunteers throughout the United States manage to stay very busy and active even though they are "retired." Retirement for this group includes many hours of serving communities in which they live. They serve at schools, hospitals, senior centers, charitable organizations, city and county governments, environmental groups, social services and community services. Each project develops programs to serve the needs of the community in which they are located. Though federally funded to 70% of the total budget by ACTION, local support is also needed to make the program productive.

Locally, RSVP has its annual mail campaign to raise the needed funds. We also have various sales activities, craft sales and card sales to help raise necessary funds. Contributions are always welcome. Local funds are used primarily to provide office supplies, telephone, mileage and meal reimbursement for the volunteers and insurance for our drivers.

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